

**PATENT APPLICATION**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Mohsen Shahinpoor  
& David Soltanpoor

Art Unit: Unknown

Serial No.: Unknown

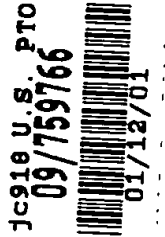
Examiner: Unknown

Filed: January 12, 2001

Atty. Docket No.: 2359-00

For: Accommodating Zonular Mini-Bridge Implants

---



**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In satisfaction of his duty under 37 CFR § 1.56, Applicant submits copies of the following references which are also set forth on the attached form PTO-1449:

US Patent No. 5,354,331 to Schachar	10/11/94	623/4	7/15/92
US Patent No. 5,465,737 to Schachar	11/14/95	128/898	1/30/95
US Patent No. 5,489,299 to Schachar	2/6/96	623/4	10/22/93
US Patent No. 5,503,165 to Schachar	4/2/96	128/898	7/5/95
US Patent No. 5,529,076 to Schachar	6/25/96	128/898	6/5/95
US Patent No. 5,722,952 to Schachar	3/3/98	604/51	7/5/95
US Patent No. 6,007,578 to Schachar	12/28/99	623/4	10/8/97
US Patent No. 6,006,756 to Shaddock	12/28/99	128/899	8/3/98

US Patent No. 5,147,284 to Fedorov, et al.	9/15/92	600/9	8/9/90
US Patent No. 5,782,894 to Israel	7/21/98	607/53	3/5/97
US Patent No. 4,961,744 to Kilmer, et al.	10/9/90	606/166	5/26/89
US Patent No. 5,300,118 to Silvestrini, et al.	4/5/94	623/5	9/21/92
US Patent No. 5,824,086 to Silvestrini	10/20/98	623/5	9/20/96
US Patent No. 6,051,023 to Kilmer, et al.	4/18/2000	623/5	11/12/97
US Patent No. 5,888,243 to Silvestrini	3/30/99	623/5	6/6/95
US Patent No. 5,766,171 to Silvestrini	6/16/98	606/49	4/8/96
US Patent No. 5,735,607 to Shahinpoor	4/7/98	374/187	12/5/95
US Patent No. 5,821,664 to Shahinpoor	10/13/98	310/307	3/28/97
US Patent No. 5,389,222 to Shahinpoor	2/14/95	204/299	9/21/93
US Patent No. 5,250,167 to Adolf	10/5/93	204/299	6/22/92
US Patent No. 4,254,509 to Tennant	3/10/81	3/13	4/9/79
US Patent No. 4,842,601 to Smith	6/27/89	623/6	5/18/87
US Patent No. 4,888,012 to Horn, et al.	12/19/89	623/6	1/14/88
US Patent No. 4,253,199 to Banko	3/3/81	3/13	9/25/78
US Patent No. 4,994,082 to Richards, et al.	2/19/91	623/6	9/9/88
US Patent No. 5,275,623 to Sarfarazi	1/4/94	623/6	11/18/91
US Patent No. 4,892,543 to Turley	1/9/90	623/6	2/2/89
US Patent No. 4,790,847 to Woods	12/13/88	623/6	5/26/87
US Patent No. 5,152,789 to Willis	10/6/92	623/6	5/14/91

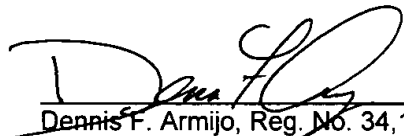
US Patent No. 4,409,691 to Levy	10/18/83	3/13	11/2/81
US Patent No. 4,765,329 to Cumming, et al.	8/23/88	128/303	10/19/87
US Patent No. 6,051,024 to Cumming	4/18/2000	623/6	10/8/97
US Patent No. 5,476,514 to Cumming	12/19/95	623/6	2/22/93
US Patent No. 5,578,081 to McDonald	11/26/96	623/6	10/30/95
US Patent No. 4,786,445 to Portnoy, et al.	11/22/88	264/1.4	1/22/87
US Patent No. 5,843,188 to McDonald	12/1/98	623/6	10/20/97
US Patent No. 5,496,366 to Cumming	3/5/96	623/6	6/7/94
US Patent No. 5,674,282 to Cumming	10/7/97	623/6	5/12/95
US Patent No. 5,258,025 to Fedorov, et al.	11/2/93	623/6	5/11/92
US Patent No. 6,013,101 to Israel	1/11/2000	623/6	11/21/95
US Patent No. 5,108,429 to Wiley	4/28/92	623/6	3/11/91

von Helmholtz (von Helmholtz H., "Über die akkommodation des auges", Albrecht von Graefes Arch Ophthalmol, 1855; 1:1-89)

Schachar (Schachar RA, Anderson DA., "The mechanism of ciliary muscle function"  
Ann Ophthalmol. 1995; 27:126-132

Schachar RA., "Histology of the ciliary muscle-zonular connections", Ann Ophthalmol.  
1996; 28:70-79.)

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service Express Mail Label No. EL338586265US in an envelope addressed to: Box Patent Application, Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, Washington, D.C. 20231, on January 12, 2001.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Dennis F. Armijo, Reg. No. 34,116  
Date Signed: 1-12-01

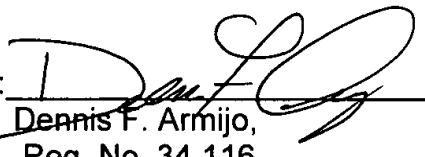
The references listed herein are cited for consideration by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, but no representation is hereby made that the references are prior art within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. §§ 102 or 103. Further, any explanation, if provided, is not to be taken as a representation that the references have been thoroughly reviewed. In particular, no representation as to the relative relevance of any portion of a reference is intended.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: January 12, 2001

DENNIS F. ARMIJO, P.C.  
5300 Sequoia Rd., NW, Suite 200  
Albuquerque, NM 87120

Telephone: (505) 839-0123  
Facsimile: (505) 839-4017

By:   
\_\_\_\_\_  
Dennis F. Armijo,  
Reg. No. 34,116